UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

IRON WORKERS' LOCAL NO. 25 PENSION FUND, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

V.	Case No. 07-CV-11769-D7
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MUNICIPAL AND INDUSTRIAL STORAGE, INC., et al.,

De	efendants.	
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ORDER IMPOSING COSTS AND RE-SETTING SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

On May 24, 2006, the court issued a "Notice to Appear" for a scheduling conference to occur on June 6, 2007. The notice was electronically filed, and on June 6, 2007, Plaintiffs' attorney appeared for the conference. Defendants' attorney, however, did not appear. The court's case manager contacted defense counsel's secretary, who explained that counsel had recently changed addresses and thus did not receive the court's ECF notification of the scheduling conference. Pursuant to the court's local rules, it is counsel's responsibility to notify the court promptly when any information on his ECF registration changes. *See* E.D. Mich. ECF R3(c). "Service upon an obsolete e-mail address will constitute valid service if the user has not notified the Court of a new e-mail address." *Id.* The court has authority under both the local rules and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to sanction, including imposing reasonable costs, an attorney for failure to appear at a duly-noticed conference. *See* E.D. Mich. LR 16.1(d); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(f). Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' attorney shall pay for Plaintiffs' reasonable

attorney fees which were incurred as a result of counsel's failure to appear at the June

6, 2007 scheduling conference. Plaintiffs' counsel shall present his reasonable bill of

fees to Defendants' counsel within seven (7) days of the date of this order and, barring

any objections, Defendants' counsel shall pay the amount within seven (7) days

thereafter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the court will conduct a scheduling conference

on **June 27**, **2007 at 11:00 a.m.** The court will inquire at the scheduling conference as

to whether Plaintiffs' attorney fees have been paid, and if not, the court will hear and

resolve any objections on the record at that time.

S/Robert H. Cleland

ROBERT H. CLELAND

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: June 13, 2007

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed to counsel of record

on this date, June 13, 2007, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

S/Lisa Wagner

Case Manager and Deputy Clerk

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